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Nonhuman primates were maintained for studies on the biomechanics of acceleration which were performed by Navy personnel in their facilities.

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Introduction

The broad goal of this program is to examine nonhuman primates as potential models for the analysis of anatomical effects of motion on man. The chimpanzee was initially selected for study because of its close phylogenetic relationship to man and its relatively large total body mass. However, limitations in number of chimpanzees available and the difficulty in housing and manipulating these animals has promoted the use of several other primate species also.

The specific aims of the research are to gather data by photographic, anthropometric, and radiographic techniques that will allow the determination of:

- location of the Center of gravity of the head-neck region
- · weight of the head-neck
- · principal moments of inertia of the head and neck

These data are basic to the development of mathematical models that would describe the anatomical stresses and trauma resulting from rapid acceleration and deceleration.

Animal Maintenance

The following animals were maintained for all or part of the period described in this report:

- 9 Pan troglodytes (chimpanzees)
- 1 Macaca fascicularis (cynomologus monkey)
- 1 Saimiri sciureus (squirrel monkey)
- 3 Papio papio (baboons)
- 56 Macaca mulatta (rhesus)

Table I lists the numbers, body weights, and dates of assignment and release. A portion of these animals were transferred from Delta Regional Primate Research Center to the Michoud facility during this report period. One animal (chimpanzee #1667) died after transfer from DRPRC.

TABLE I
ANIMAL MAINTENANCE
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1 February 1976 - 31 January 1977

| Species | Animal # | Sex | Assignment Date | Body Wt.* | Transfer/Release Date |
|---------------------|--------------|--------|------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| Pan troglodytes | 332 3123 | M M | July 1972 26 May 1971 | 63.75 68.0 | |
| | 3124 | F | 26 May 1971 | 48.75 | |
| | 3281 | M | 10 March 1972 | 64.0 | |
| | 3282 | M | 10 March 1972 | 67.0 | |
| | 3283 | M | 10 March 1972 | 64.0 | |
| | 3284 | M | 10 March 1972 | 74.0 | |
| | 3285 | M | 10 March 1972 | 66.5 | |
| | 1667 | M | July 1972 | | Perm. transfer 18 Oct.76 |
| Macaca fascicularis | 972 | M | 4 Dec. 1973 | 9.0 | |
| Saimiri sciureus | 3942 | F | 7 Dec. 1973 | | 13 August 1976 (released) |
| Papio papio | 3456 | М | 14 July 1972 | 31.25 | |
| | 3457 | M | 14 July 1972 | 35.0 | |
| | 3455 | F | 14 July 1972 | 23.5 | |
| Macaca mulatta | 3938 | M | 6 Dec. 1973 | | 14 July 1976 |
| | 3939 | M | 6 Dec. 1973 | | 14 July 1976 |
| | 3940 | M | 6 Dec. 1973 | | 13 July 1976 |
| | 3943 | M | 11 Dec. 1973 | | 14 July 1976 |
| | 3944 | M | 11 Dec. 1973 | | 13 July 1976 |
| | 3946 | M | 11 Dec. 1973 | | 14 July 1976 |
| | 3948 | M | 11 Dec. 1973 | | 14 July 1976 |
| | 3951 | М | 11 Dec. 1973 | | 14 July 1976 |
| | 4090 | M | 14 Mar. 1974 | | 14 July 1976 |
| | 4115 | M | 19 Mar. 1974 | | 14 July 1976 |
| | 4005 | F | 7 Jan. 1974 | 6.0 | |
| | 4096 | M | 16 July 1974 | 8.2 | |
| | 4103 | M | 14 Mar. 1974 | 7.8 | |
| | 4106 | M | 14 Mar. 1974 | 10.6 | |
| | 4107 | M | 14 Mar. 1974 | 9.0 | |
| | 4108 4109 | M M | 14 Mar. 1974 14 Mar. 1974 | 8.5 12.3 | |
| | 4112 | M | 19 Mar. 1974 | 9.3 | |
| | 4116 | M | 19 Mar. 1974 | 12.7 | |
| | 4114 | M | 19 Mar. 1974 | 9.5 | |
| | 4117 | M | 19 Mar. 1974 | 10.5 | |
| | 4101 | M | 14 Mar. 1974 | 10.5 | 13 July 1976 |
| | 3888 | M | 6 Dec. 1973 | | 14 July 1976 |
| | 2152 | M | 1 May 1973 | | 13 July 1976 |
| | 2860 | M | 15 Nov. 1973 | | 13 July 1976 |
| | 3149 | M | 1 May 1973 | | 13 July 1976 |
| | 3150 | M | 1 May 1973 | | 14 July 1976 |
| | 3896 | M | 13 Feb. 1974 | | 14 July 1976 |
| | 3922 | M | 27 Nov. 1973 | | 14 July 1976 |

| Species | Animal # | Sex | Assignment Date | Body Wt * Transfer/Release Date |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| Species Macaca mulatta (continued) | 3924 3933 3934 3936 5839 5840 5841 5842 5843 | M M M M M M M M | Assignment Date 27 Nov. 1973 5 Dec. 1973 5 Dec. 1973 5 Dec. 1973 28 May 1976 | 14 July 1976 14 July 1976 14 July 1976 13 July 1976 14 July 1976 7.1 7.2 8.6 11.4 |
| | 5844 5845 5846 5847 5848 5849 5850 5851 5852 5853 | M M M M M M M M | 28 May 1976 28 May 1976 | 8.7 10.0 9.6 8.2 8.8 9.3 9.0 9.5 |
| | 5854 5855 5856 5857 5858 5859 5860 5861 | M M M M M M | 28 May 1976 28 May 1976 | 7.9 8.6 7.5 8.1 8.8 7.5 |

^{*} Expressed in kilograms.